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450100-03344

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Hiromasa Shibata et al.  
Serial No. : 09/905,049  
For : AV SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD AS WELL AS RECORDING MEDIUM  
Filed : July 13, 2001  
Examiner : Y. Lee  
Art Unit : 2613

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**  
Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

**Claims as Amended**

| (1)                                     | (2)<br>Claims remaining after<br>amendment | (3)   | (4)<br>Highest<br>number<br>previously<br>paid for | (5)<br>Present extra | (6)<br>Rate | (7)<br>Additional<br>Fee |
|---|--|-------|--|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Total claims                            | 10   | Minus | ** =20   | * 0 x                | \$18 (9)    | = \$ 0                   |
| Independent claims                      | 3  | Minus | *** =3   | * 0 x                | \$86 (43)   | = \$ 0                   |
| Total additional fee for this amendment |  |       |  |                      |             | \$ 0                     |

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

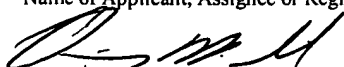
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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290(145) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_-month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims \_\_\_ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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Name of Applicant, Assignee or Registered Representative


  
Signature

September 9, 2004

Date of Signature

Respectfully submitted,

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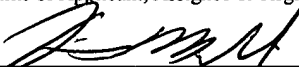
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: